

Your
Seattle
City Light

Memorandum

Remmit



DATE : October 12, 1979
TO : Carole Coe Attn: Bob Webb
FROM : Robert H. Murray
SUBJECT : Light Fixture Ballasts Containing PCB

~~The attached memo from Ken Lowthian, Superintendent of the Water Department, points out a health hazard that exists in this building.~~ Quoting from his memo, "most light fixture ballasts in the City Light Building contain PCB, a toxic substance which is released when the ballasts burn out... According to the Environmental Protection Agency, ~~the smoke from a burning ballast should not be inhaled.~~"

Due to this health hazard and the availability of ballasts without PCB, I am instructing you to initiate an expeditious ballast replacement program on all floors and areas of all Seattle City Light buildings. Please keep me advised of your progress.

RHM sfm

Attachment: Copy of 10-8-79 memo from Lowthian to Murray

cc: Ken Lowthian
Superintendent
Water Department

bcc: Murray
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